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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. O. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, PARIS AND EUROPE:—LEON DE ROBERT, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris, NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIND, 138, Nassau Street, AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTH, Melbourne and Sydney, SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:—BRAM & BLACK, San Francisco, SINGAPORE AND STRAITS:—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore, C. HENNING & Co., Manila, CHINA:—MAGAO, Messrs A. A. DE MELLO & Co., Swatow, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HEDGES & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KIMURA & WATSE, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—F. D. BARROW, Esq.
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E. K. BELMONT, Esq., ADAM LIND, Esq., H. L. DARTMOUTH, Esq., WILHELM REINER, Esq., H. KOPPEL, Esq., W. S. YOUNG, Esq., Hon. W. KESWICK.

CHIEF MANAGER.
HONGKONG:—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
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LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

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Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)
RATES of Interest allowed on Deposits.
At 3 months' notice 5% per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " " "
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D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £300,000.
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.
BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG.

grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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THE CHARTERED MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LONDON AND CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)
CAPITAL, £750,000.
RESERVE FUND, £151,860.10/.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.
RATES of Interest allowed on Fixed Deposits.
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H. H. NELSON, Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

For sale.

RECENTLY ARRIVED, AND FOR SALE.

TEYSSONNEAU'S FINE FRENCH STRAWBERRIES.

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French JAMS and JELLIES.

MACASSAR RED FISH.

Very Fine "O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.

FINEST CHERBOURG BUTTER, IN BOTTLES or ONE POUND.

BUSOK & Co.'s SELECTED-DANISH BUTTER, Season 1878, in Tins of 1 lb., 2 lbs., and 4 lbs.

ENGLISH and AMERICAN HOUSEHOLD STORES.

EXTRA FINE CHICAGO BACON and HAMS.

MACKEREL and SALMON BELLIES, in Kits.

COD FISH, &c., &c.

HOT'S BEST RUSSIAN ROPE, and FINE LINES, Assorted Sizes.

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HENRY'S BEST GOVERNMENT NAVY CANVAS, Assorted Numbers.

INDIA RUBBER SHEET PACKING and INSERTION, all Sizes.

TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.

INDIA RUBBER SUCTION and DELIVERY HOSE.

CANVAS ROPE and LEATHER BELTING.

AMERICAN ASH BOAT-OARS.

ADMIRALTY TESTED CHAIN CABLES, and RIGGING CHAIN.

ANCHORS, from 25 lbs. up to 18 cwt. Each.

PERFORATED ZINC SHEETS.

TINMAN'S and PLUMBER'S SOLDER.

LEAD PIPE, and SHEET LEAD.

FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES, from 400 lbs. to 2,500 lbs.

MASSEY'S PATENT LOGS.

FLOUR SIEVES.

INDIA RUBBER KNEE and HIP BOOTS, &c., &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

FOR SALE.

COKE and TAR in Quantities to suit Purchasers, at CHEAP RATES.

Apply to
GAS COMPANY,
West Point.
Hongkong, June 19, 1878. sc19

FOR SALE.

TWO AMERICAN and One ENGLISH Second-hand BILLIARD TABLES, with BALLS, CUES, LAMPS, &c., Complete.

Apply to
D. NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, July 11, 1878. tf.

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers, The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelley Street.

The BUNGALOW, No. 1, Old Bailey Street.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.

House No. 7, Caine Road, at present occupied by The Hon. CECIL SMITH.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situated on Praya East—

FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of No. 2, Praya East, either separately, or together, as required, with immediate possession.

HOUSE No. 8, Praya East. The whole House or in Flats, with immediate possession.

As also,
SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.
FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.
For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.,
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.,
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to notify that they have made such Arrangements in connection with their TAILORING DEPARTMENT, that they are now able to Guarantee the PROMPT Execution of Orders.

The Following GOODS Suitable for the present Season have just been received, from which an early Selection is requested.

THIN BLACK SUPERFINE, for Dress Suits.

FANCY BLACK and BLUE CASHMERE, MELTONS, &c., for Morning Suits.

HOME SPUN, FRIEZE, BEAVER, &c., for Ulsters.

SUPERFINE BEAVER, &c., for Light Overcoats.

EXTRA THIN TWEEDS and ANGOLA, for Suits and Trowersings.

BLACK, BLUE, and COLOURED SERGES, for Suits.

CORDS, STOCKINETTES and CASSIMERES, for Riding Trowers.

UNIFORMS, LACE, BUTTONS, &c., for H. B. M. Navy and U. S. Navy.

BULLOCK LADE'S SPECIAL BLEND WHISKY.

"S. B. H." The Finest OLD WHISKY, ever imported.

IRISH CONSTABULARY REVOLVERS.

Extra Finest ISIGNY BUTTER.

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SILBER LAMPS for Kerosine, in large assortment.

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VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEEDS.

CORP'S GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.

Very FINE FRESH APPLES, for Box or per Dozen.

BASS'S DRAUGHT ALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, September 8, 1878.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of Receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the Year 1877, and for the half-year ending 30th June, 1878.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 30th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1878. sc1

NOTICE.

THE CITY HALL LIBRARY and MUSEUM will be CLOSED to the Public from the 2ND to the 30TH SEPTEMBER NEXT. Residents wishing to refer to Books in the Library during that period can do so by Application to the Secretary.

By Order,
H. L. DENNY, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 29, 1878.

H. SCHÜREN'S PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO.

WYNDHAM STREET.

MR. SCHÜREN will leave this Colony in a very short time, and advises Amateurs of his Work to apply in time, in order to avoid disappointment.

For the convenience of the Public, Photos will be taken. Every Day from 8 a.m. till 12 o'clock, Noon.

Hongkong, September 14, 1878. sc21

MOORE & Co.,

"VARIETY STORE"

NEWS AGENTS and TOBACCONISTS.

No. 43, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profit to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

AS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. sc1

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. sc1

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, September 8, 1878.

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, August 20, 1878. sc20

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after 1st SEPTEMBER, RETAIL SALES of the Company's Manufactures will be RESUMED at the REFINERY.

East Point,
August 28, 1878. sc28

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE of PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1858 will be Received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 23rd September, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period above-mentioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licenses direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By Command,
J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

WITH Reference to the above Notification, it is hereby notified that His EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR has been pleased to extend the period up to which TENDERS will be Received to Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd October.

By Command,
J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, September 6, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING AMOY and FOOCHOW, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

MURRAY & LANMAN'S

FLORIDA WATER.

CAUTION.

HAVING Learned that Large Quantities of IMITATIONS of our FLORIDA WATER have recently been imported to Hongkong, we caution the Public against purchasing any that does not bear the name "MURRAY & LANMAN" on the label. Each Bottle of the "Genuine" is wrapped with a pamphlet printed on paper which has the words "LANMAN & KEMP, NEW YORK" in Water Mark.

Messrs MELORE & Co. are our only AGENTS for Sale of the Genuine Florida Water at Hongkong.

LANMAN & KEMP,
New York, July 9, 1878. sc29

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The British Steamer "PALADIN," Captain PARKER, will load here for the above Ports, and will leave on THURSDAY, the 19th Inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
HOP KEE.

Hongkong, September 10, 1878. sc19

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "KWANGTUNG," Capt. PUNOHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 20th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, September 17, 1878. sc20

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship "STRATHLEVEN," Captain PEARSON, will be despatched as above on or about the 20th September.

The "Strathleven" has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVIS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 29, 1878.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship "CEBU," Captain ISORUBAGARI, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 21st Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, September 17, 1878. sc21

FOR LONDON.

The Steamer "ARGENTINO," Captain BARNETT, will be despatched on or about 18th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
TURNER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 14, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The British Steamer "IMBAT," Capt. STEWART, is expected here on Saturday, the

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

THIS EVENING,
(WEDNESDAY), September 18th, 1878.

By General Desire,
THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA
AND
OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY
Will Repeat
CEFFENACH'S COMIC OPERA
"GENEVIEVE DE BRABANT,"
in Four Acts.

CAST OF CHARACTERS:
DROGAN (A Page).....Miss ELICIA MAY.
Ocoorio (Duke of Brabant).....Mr. H. VERNON.
Golo (Prime Minister).....Mr. J. ROLLINGS.
Charles Martel.....Mr. F. HAGEMANN.
Burgomaster of Oure.....Mr. SUTTON.
Orwald (A Page).....Miss B. DHAEGAR.
Philbert (Quint to Charles Martel).....Mr. G. HODSON.
Grab (The B. id).....Mr. H. VERNON.
Piton (Gendarme).....Mr. J. ROLLINGS.
Brigitte.....Miss A. DHAEGAR.
Genevieve.....Miss CLARA STANLEY.
Bakers, Councillors, &c.

"THE WONDERFUL PIE."
"THE BALCONY DUET."
"THE SONG OF THE PIE."
"THE CROWING CHORUS."
"THE PAGE'S SONG."
"CHARLES MARTEL'S DEPARTURE FOR FALSTINE."
"THE GENDARMES' DUET."
"DROGAN'S SLEEP SONG."
"THE CUP OF TEA SONG."
"GOLD'S GROTESQUE SONG AND DANCE."

The Operas are produced under the Solo direction of
MR. H. VERNON.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at Messrs KRAUSE & Co's, where Plan of the Theatre may be seen.

No Advance in the Price.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Dress Circle or Orchestra
Stalls..... TWO DOLLARS.
Pit..... ONE DOLLAR.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen cannot be admitted.
Hongkong, September 18, 1878. sel9

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned begs to notify that the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA of Tokio, Japan, has opened a Branch in this Port, and the Undersigned has been appointed their Agent in Hongkong.

HEROMICH SHUGIO.

Office No. 4 C, Club Chambers,
Hongkong, August 19, 1878. sel9

NOTICE.

MR HENRI VINAY has been Appointed AGENT for the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, at Hongkong. MR ERNEST SCHUEBLIN will have power to act at the same place in Mr VINAY'S absence.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT,
Manager,
COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS,
SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, September 6, 1878.

WITH Reference to the above, I have This Day OPENED the AGENCY of the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, at the Office of Messrs RUSSELL & Co.

H. VINAY,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 12, 1878. oc12

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having This Day Purchased the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book Debts, and Goodwill of the CHINA DISPENSARY hitherto Carried on by Mr W. BALL, will conduct and carry on the said Business (in connection with the VICTORIA DISPENSARY) on his own Account from This Date.

WM. CRICKSHANK.
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr ARTHUR CHART in our Firm CANNOT on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.
Hongkong, June 19, 1878. del3

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, HOP YEK & Co. of HOWARD'S Godowns, No. 239, Shek Tong Tsoi, begs to notify that the said Company is not nor will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by any of the Firm's employees or Partners. Also, no Debt, if any, can be deducted from the Rent Payable to the said Company. The Company is only Responsible for those Accounts, which are Confirmed and Signed by Mr CHU WING ON himself, of the Kung Yeh shop, Wing Lok Street.

HOP YEK & Co.
Hongkong, September 18, 1878. oc13

Intimations.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

STRATHMAY, British barque, Captain Wm. Anderson.—M. M. Co.
LORNE, British steamer, Captain Wm. McCulloch.—Melchers & Co.
PARALOS, French barque, Captain J. Pasco.—Kong Kee.

ASIA, Danish steamer, Captain O. J. Djorup.—Meyer & Co.

MIN-Y-DON, British ship, Captain James M. Leslie.—Olyphant & Co.

BRUNETTE, British barque, Captain W. Dow.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

HAMBURG, German barque, Captain H. von Kroge.—Eduard Schellbach & Co.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WAHSH, Shanghai.
Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

TENDERS for REPAIRS of the German Bark MINNA must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on THURSDAY, the 18th instant.
Particulars of the Work required may be had from the Captain on Board, or from the Undersigned.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 18, 1878. sel9

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIGRE,"
Commandant LOMBER, will be despatched for SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 18th instant, at 5 p.m.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, September 18, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. TIGRE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEE of Cargo per S. S. Copernio and Euphrate, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before TO-DAY, the 18th inst., at 11 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 23rd instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, September 18, 1878. sel23

FOR SHANGHAI.

The British Steamer "ALBERTON,"
CHRIS. DARNELL, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MEYER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 18, 1878. sel21

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 17, Malacca, British steamer, 1044, Smith, Yokohama Sept. 11, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sept. 17, Tigre, French steamer, 2654, M. Lormier, Marseilles Aug. 11, Naples 13, Port Said 18, Suez 19, Aden 26, Galle Sept. 3, Singapore 10, and Saigon 14, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Sept. 17, Gleam, British barque, 1169, J. Key, Newcastle (N.S.W.) July 26, 3 p.m., Coal.—ORDER.

Sept. 18, H.M.S. Kestrel, from a cruise.
Sept. 18, Canton, Siamese ship, 779, O. Knudsen, Bangkok Aug. 28, Risa.—ORDER.

Sept. 18, Khedive, British steamer, 2092, J. D. Stewart, Shanghai Sept. 15, 9.30 a.m., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sept. 18, Kim Yung Tye, Siamese barque, 323, P. J. Kotod, Wabun (Gulf of Bangkok) Sept. 1, Wood.—TACK MEN.

Sep. 18, Alverton, British steamer, 1086, C. Darnell, Nagasaki, &c. Sept. 14, General.—MEYER & Co.

Sept. 18, Jules Dufayre, French barque, 430, Camille, Nhatrang Bay, Salt.—CARTERS.

Sept. 18, Emulation, British barque, 890, Gunn, Newchwang Sept. 6, Beans for Whampoa.—WITZEL & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 18, Angustura, for Newchwang.
18, Yungking, for Canton.
18, Madeline, for Honolulu.
18, H.M.S. Hart, for the North.
18, Stanfield, for Cebu.
18, Ba carry, for Valparaiso.
18, Ningpo, for Shanghai.
18, Golden Spur, for Haiphong.
18, Priam, for Shanghai.
18, Emulation, for Whampoa.

CLEARED.

Shun Lee, for Shanghai.
Kara, for Heliow.
Hoi Columbia, for Newchwang.

PASSENGERS.

Per Malacca, from Yokohama, Messrs Whittall, Whitcomb, Gardner, 2 Europeans, and 10 Chinese.
Per Tigre, from Marseilles, &c., Mrs. Gilborne, Mr. Olin, wife and child, Don Gaspard (Spanish Consul in Macao), Pon Ohap (Chinese merchant), and 108 Native.
Per Khedive, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Messrs K. Albertson, O. Stanger, A. Halske, A. Houser, A. Wanjara, P. Ritter, E. Houben, D. Schwabe, and G. Withers, and 17 Chinese; for Southampton, Mrs. Souper, Mrs. Lemarchand, Mr. Dunman, 3 children and servant, Mrs. Henderson, 3 children and servant, Mrs. Kasaburg, and Edward Abbott.
Per Alverton, from Nagasaki, 1 Chinese, and 2 Distressed Seamen.

DEPARTED.

Per Priam, for Shanghai, Mrs. Wells and 2 children, and 20 Chinese.
Per Madeline, for Honolulu, 20 Chinese.
Per Ningpo, for Shanghai, 80 Chinese.
Per Golden Spur, for Haiphong, 6 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Malacca reports: Moderate winds and fine weather throughout.

The Siamese barque Kim Yung Tye reports: Light winds and squalls during the passage.

The British steamer Alverton reports: Most of the passage fresh Northerly winds and fine weather. Passage 4 days 9 hours.

The British barque Emulation reports: Five N.E. monsoons all the passage.

The Siamese ship Canton reports: Left Bangkok on the 28th of August, had light Southerly to South-westerly winds in the Gulf of Siam. Passed Pulo Obi on the 4th of September, and in the China Sea had light Southerly winds and calms, with heavy rain squalls from the westward. Passed Maclefield Bank on the 13th inst., and from thence to port light South-easterly winds and squalls with a very heavy swell from the Northward.

CARGO.

Per S. S. Ajax, Hongkong to London, sailed 19th September, 1878:—263,957 lbs. Congou, 130,668 lbs. So. Capar, 89,983 lbs. So. (R. Peko), and 5,910 lbs. Sorts—total 440,618 lbs.; 49 pkgs. Silk Piece Goods, 340 pkgs. Waste Silk, and 1,679 pkgs. Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—
For SHANGHAI.
Per Shun Lee, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 19th inst., instead of as previously notified.

Per Tigre, at 4 p.m. To-morrow, the 19th inst. Late letters received from 4.10 to 4.30, with 18 cents late fee.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—
Per Palatin, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 19th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.—
Per Kwangtung, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 20th inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per Bellona, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 20th inst.

For MANILA.—
Per Cebu, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 21st inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per Alverton, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 21st inst.

MAILS by the BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet Khedive will be despatched with Mails for the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served through London, on SATURDAY, the 21st inst.

MAILS by the FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet Sindh will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 21st inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

MAILS by the UNITED STATES PACKET.—
The United States Mail Packet Gaelic will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 1st October, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—
2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Tenders Close.

Tenders for Repairs of the German bark MINNA, to be sent in to the Agents before Noon.

Shipping.

2 p.m.—Palatin leaves for Singapore, &c.

5 p.m.—Tigre leaves for Shanghai.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, September 20.—
Noon.—Kwungtung leaves for Coast Ports.

Strathmay leaves for London on or about this date.

Regent leaves for Manila.

Transfer Books of Union Insurance Society of Canton, closed from this date to 30th instant, inclusive.

SATURDAY, September 21.—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Noon.—Cebu leaves for Manila.

4 p.m.—Alverton leaves for Shanghai.

MONDAY, September 23.—
Goods per Tigre undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

WEDNESDAY, September 25.—
Southern Cross leaves for Manila on or about this date.

SATURDAY, September 28.—
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

MONDAY, September 30.—
8 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, at its Head Office, Hongkong.

TUESDAY, October 1.—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

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MARRIAGES.

On the 6th August, at the parish church, Kensington, by the Rev. R. Powell, M.A., vicar of St. James's, Hereford, cousin of the bridegroom, assisted by the Rev. A. R. Waring, D.D., incumbent of Verulam Chapel, uncle of the bride, W. H. HARRISON, solicitor, of Hongkong, to ANNE LOUISA, daughter of M. Collins, LL.D., of Dublin.

On the 25th May, in Virginia, by Bishop Whitaker, WILLIAM R., eldest son of William O. Hunter, late of China, to EMMA CARBO.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.35 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18, 1878.

THERE is in most civilized communities one or more individuals whose chief occupation in life seems to be, metaphorically speaking, treading on their neighbours' toes, or receiving delicate attentions of that nature from others. These unfortunate people appear in our courts of justice and law, sometimes as complainants and sometimes as defendants, with almost the regularity of clockwork, and in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, it comes out very clearly that the affairs in which they are engaged have arisen entirely through a lack, on their part, of a little tact, discretion, or common sense.

In this Colony we are troubled with one of these individuals in the person of Mr. Thomas Ide Bowler. The career of that gentleman during the last few years is suggestive of the ideal Irishman at Donnybrook Fair, who trilled the tails of his great-coat in the mud and invited people to step upon it and get their brains split. We are very glad to observe that Mr. Francis made an effort yesterday to reform Mr. Bowler by the infliction of a fine, the amount of which apparently caused our troublesome friend a little surprise.

His impudence, however, seems unabated, if one may judge from the few lines from his pen appearing in our contemporary of this morning. Mr. Bowler, according to his own statements, is one of the most active workers in the cause of humanity in Hongkong, and, at the same time, one of the most ill-used members of the community. We should prefer classing him in the same category as Mrs. Pettendreich, who gained so much notoriety a few years ago in the London Police Courts. It will be remembered that that amiable lady had a strong antipathy to cab-men, and an inordinate love for cats, the indiscreet exercise of these two passions necessitating an almost weekly attendance, on her part, for several years before the metropolitan magistrates. Mr. Bowler seems to have taken an equally strong antipathy to old women and chair coolies, and an equally inordinate passion for dogs, and among these likes and dislikes he appears to be rapidly erecting himself into something approaching pretty closely to a public nuisance.

Of late years the Chinese authorities at Canton and the other neighbouring ports appear to have abandoned their once favourite practice of obtaining "squeeze" from well-to-do Chinese in this Colony by bringing pressure to bear upon them through interference with their families on the mainland. A case is, however, just reported, which, if correctly laid before us, will demand energetic action on the part of both the Government here and the British Consul at Canton. We hear on pretty good authority that the son of Mr. Kwok Acheong, the well-known Chinese merchant in this Colony, has been arrested while proceeding in a small native boat up the river beyond Canton, and it is said that the mandarins have demanded Tls. 35,000 for his release. There appears to have been no excuse whatever for the arrest. We are informed that all the articles he had with him at the time were about ten taels of prepared opium, on which he had already paid duty at Canton, and which he was carrying merely for his own use; two or three tins of biscuits; a few bottles of raisins and some figs—in fact, simply the commodities and other articles a respectable Chinese would require in travelling. He is also said to have been in possession of a pass from the Lekin office, certifying where he was going and the dutiable articles he was carrying with him. Application was made shortly after the event, we are told, to Her Majesty's Consul at Canton, and he referred the applicant to the Government of this Colony. Accordingly on the 9th, Mr. Kwok Acheong laid the affair before His Excellency the Governor, and on the 18th received a reply intimating that action would be taken in the matter.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE delivery of the French Mail was begun at 11.20 p.m. yesterday.

We learn that the O. S. S. Co. steamer Diomed, from Liverpool, left Singapore this morning for Hongkong.

THE Royal English Opera Company repeat the performance of "Genevieve de Brabant" to-night at the City Hall Theatre. The opera is among the best produced by the Company.

SOME fears have been entertained that a gale of some description is not far off from our shores, as the Barometer has fallen fully a tenth since ten o'clock—a circumstance which, with a northerly wind, means a gale somewhere. Many of the natives have evidently become alarmed, and as they do not judge by barometers or the exact position of the heavenly bodies in arriving at their conclusions as to the state of the weather, we think that some reliance must be placed on their local knowledge, which is much less seldom astray than many may imagine. A large number of small craft have or are clearing over to harbours of refuge, and there are even movements noticeable amongst the foreign shipping, which indicate that alarm has got abroad. The river steamers are lying with banked fires, sailing vessels are busy clearing haws, and prudent masters who might otherwise be inclined to remain on shore are returning on board. Some appear to think that the 26th instant is likely to prove a stormy day, but all or nearly all are pretty confident that severe weather is sure to be experienced within the next few days. All had better be prepared, and do what they may think necessary to guard against the worst.

HONG & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 14th Sept., 1878:—

Arrivals During the Week.—Sept. 6, Haating, from Shanghai; 6, Fantaisie, from Shanghai; 7, Swinger, from Wen chow; 8, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong; 12, Europe, from Shanghai.

Departures During the Week.—Sept. 7, Europe, for Shanghai; 8, Yesso, for Hongkong; 8, Mikado, for London; 10, Kwang Tung, for Hongkong; 11, Haating, for Shanghai; 13, Hesperia, for London and Hamburg.

Shipping in Port.—Rosebud, Argentine, Lizzie, Wyo, Kjobenhavn, Imbat, Christian, Hiram Emery, Strathven, Kate Tatham, Wm. Turner, Fantaisie, Swinger, Europe.

(L. and C. Express, Aug. 9th.)
Latest Mail Advice:—Yokohama (via San Fran.) June 19, Shanghai 16, Foochow 16, Hongkong 22. The French mail, with the advices dated as above, from China and the Straits Settlements, was delivered, via Marseilles, on the 31st ult. The heavy portion of the previous mail reached Southampton, per P. & O. Company's steamer Thetis, on the 3rd inst. The advices from Japan, via San Francisco, were received on the 29th ult. The next inward P. & O. mail, bringing dates Yokohama 19th, Shanghai 22nd, Hongkong 24th June, Singapore 7th July, left Brindisi on the 7th inst., and will reach London on the 10th inst., two days early. The following French mail, with a week's later dates, left Suez on the 4th inst., five days early.

A Bill has been introduced by the Legislative Assembly of Vancouver Island imposing a fine of \$50 per annum on every Chinaman in the province. The first batch of Chinese labourers left San Francisco on 30th July for Port, via Panama.

Cape Town.—July 8, the Robert Henderson, London to Hongkong, has now discharged all her cargo, and tenders are asked for conveying it to its destination; also for repairs to the vessel.

Sir John Smale, Chief Justice of Hongkong, is one of the representatives of the

The Cornhill Magazine for August contains an article on "Malay Life in the Philippines" from the pen of Mr. W. G. Palgrave. Her Majesty's Consul at Manila, Mr. Palgrave apparently does not believe that Western enterprise would be beneficial to the Philippines. The following is a specimen of the glowing way in which he writes of life as it at present exists there:—

O balmy life-giving breezes of the wide Pacific, with enjoyment in every flutter of your wings! O golden glories of the evening sun-god, ere yet he withdraws from view within his cloud-built palace of amber and crimson, reared on the deep immensity of blue! Long be yours to range and reign over the waving emerald of the parcelled rice-field, the unpruned freedom of the fruit-clustered bough, the bannered flags of the yellowing cane-patch, the green glister of the plantain-grove, the triumph of the stately garden-palm, while frequent amid them, each abutting its contented owner-possess and the children-inheritors of the land, rise the little thatched cottages, unwarded by the vast constructions of overshadowing capital, unsmothered by Western smoke and enginery; while the fruit-bearing land smiles her bounty on her orphaned children, and the children yet claim for their own the native bosom of their own land.

This sort of thing goes on through several pages of the article. We have heard many bitter expressions of annoyance lately at the most vexatious restrictions to which foreigners and foreign enterprise are subjected in the Philippines by the authorities there, and we are inclined to believe Mr. Palgrave would be affording a greater amount of satisfaction to his countrymen, and rendering himself more worthy of his salary, if he devoted the time spent in writing sentimental rubbish of this nature to the duties of his office, and the protection of British subjects and enterprise in Manila. He denounces Europe as "a painful and insatiable" in the course of the article.

It is announced that Vice-Admiral Robert Coote, C.B., the Naval commander-in-chief on the China Station, with his secretary and flag-lieutenant, will probably leave Southampton by the P. & O. steamer of the 3rd Oct., which is due at Hong Kong on the 21st Nov. relieving Vice-Admiral H. S. Hillyar, C.B., on the promotion of the latter to Admiral's rank, to the vacancy that will be caused by the retirement of Admiral Sir George Elliot, K.C.B., under the compulsory age clause of the Order in Council of February, 1870, should not one sooner arise. The appointment of Vice-Admiral Coote will probably be gazetted about the 25th inst. He has selected as his secretary Mr. Benjamin Urwick, paymaster, H.M.S. Glatton, and late secretary to Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Macdonald, when commander-in-chief in the East Indies.

The Iron Duke, Capt. Cleveland, which will replace the Audacious as flagship on the China Station, sailed from Portsmouth on the 2nd inst., calling at Plymouth on her way down Channel. The following are the probable dates of the arrival and departure of the Iron Duke on her passages to China:—

Police Intelligence.

Before C. V. ORRICH, Esq.
18th September, 1878.

CURIOUS ASSAULT CASE.

Fung Ahing, a house coolie, to Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co., was charged with assaulting a European, seaman by throwing a stone at him.
James Topple, the seaman so assaulted, said he was walking with two companions down the Queen's Road from the Sailors' Home. They were going to hear the band play. They passed a narrow lane on the left hand side of the road and witness heard some one call out something in Chinese, and on turning round he saw the defendant standing in the entrance of the lane, having something like a stone in his hand which he threw and struck witness on the left side of the neck (shows mark). Defendant then ran down the lane followed by witness and his companions. Witness followed them about half way down the lane, and saw the defendant struggling with his companions. He (defendant) had a bamboo with which he was striking the Europeans, but they disarmed him and took him into custody. Witness had given defendant no provocation. He cented that one of his companions struck defendant with a walking stick.
Defendant's companions gave corroborative testimony. Defendant was sentenced to 4 weeks' hard labour, but on Mr D. R. Crawford's appearing and giving him an exceedingly good character as a quiet industrious and inoffensive man the sentence was altered to a fine of \$12 under Sec. XI. of Ord. 5 of 1850. Defendant has been in the service of Lane, Crawford & Co. over 5 years.

TO-DAY'S FINES.

Chak Ann and two others, allowing their dwellings to be in a filthy condition. Fined 5 cents.
Lo Ahn, a widow, drying a quantity of bags on the hill-side which emitted a nauseous smell. Fined 10 cents.
Loong Ahn, a street vendor, obstructing the thoroughfare. Fined 25 cents.
Lap Ahn, a coolie, fighting with Teang Ahn, a boatman. Fined 25 cents.
Cheung Wan Kat, a shopman, obstructing the thoroughfare. Fined \$1.
Te Ahn and another, obstruction. Fined \$1.50.
Leong Ahn, a boatman, and Li Ahn, a coolie, playing sam-chi-chuk. 1st defendant fined 10 cents, and 2nd fined \$2.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before His Lordship Acting Chief Justice Snowden.)
18th September, 1878.

Regina v. Chan Apun, Wong Tin Kam, Wong Ahn, Leong Ahn & Ng Ahn.
The following gentlemen were empanelled as a Jury: Messrs D. McPherson, L. H. C. Jensen, W. W. Battles, J. S. Nager, A. G. Morris, P. Parlin, and P. Arnold.
The Attorney General (the Hon. G. Philippo) prosecuted.

The prisoners, the first three being men and the other two women, were indicted the first three for burglary and the whole five for receiving. They all pleaded not guilty. The facts of the case were simply these: A Chinese house was entered by means of a ladder placed down the stokey-hole and a box and various articles of wearing apparel stolen. An alarm was raised by the women of the house, and one man was seen going up the ladder followed by a coolie belonging to the house. Subsequently the first two defendants were seen in the street near the house and some women's clothes found on them which are said to have been part of the stolen property. A quantity of the stolen property was also found at the house of the third prisoner, and there was every reason to suppose the first two prisoners were going there when arrested. The two women were also found in the house and were consequently charged with receiving.
The first two were found guilty of burglary and the others of receiving. Sentence reserved.

Regina v. The Atsoi.

ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN MONEY ON A FORGED STATEMENT.

The prisoner was indicted for endeavouring to obtain money on a forged order from one Hung Woo Choo, the master of a vegetable Lan in the Central Market. It appears that the prisoner was in the habit of selling vegetables to the Lan in question, and the practice was at such times for the coolies or waiters to call out the weight, and description of vegetables, and the name of the seller. The seller would then go to the accountant and get an order for the value of the vegetables, and on its being presented at a certain understood time, it would be paid. The prisoner taking advantage of this practice forged several of these orders, and on his attempting to utter one of these which was only for a small amount, the forgery was detected.
The prisoner pleaded not guilty.
After hearing the evidence the Jury found the prisoner not guilty.

Regina v. Li Ahn alias Chin Sa Kan.

WOUNDING WITH INTENT.

The prisoner was indicted on four counts with wounding with intent to murder, wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm, unlawfully wounding, and inflicting grievous bodily harm.
Both the prisoner and complainant are prisoners under long imprisonment in Victoria Gaol. The accused without any apparent cause took up a shot, and struck the complainant over the head, and witnesses stated that the prisoner had remarked at the time "I don't care, I will kill you dead if I'm hanged for it." The complainant became insensible, his skull having been fractured, and he has been under medical treatment for a long time, his life being at one time despaired of and his dying depositions taken.
The prisoner's appearance as he stood in the dock, was most strange. He looked a wild, and rather interesting young fellow. Very slightly built, and stood with his hands crossed, scarcely moving the whole time, and apparently utterly indifferent as to what became of him.
Both the Judge and the Jury observed this, and the question arose as to whether he was not laboring under a fit of insanity. His Lordship asked Mr Mulgrave what the prisoner's conduct had been in gaol, and Mr Mulgrave said that before the prisoner committed the offence he appeared sane enough, but since then he had been so bad at times that he had had to be chained up.
It appears that when he threw the shot at the man he had said that some one was

trying to poison him, and His Lordship remarked that this was a very singular thing to have entered into his head, as it was almost impossible for the prisoners to be able to poison anyone.
Dr. Ayres was recalled and questioned as to his opinion, and he said there were no signs of insanity in the accused other than that he was always very sullen. He had always been so. He would not do his work on one occasion, and he (Dr. Ayres) gave him a shock with a galvanic battery; whereupon the prisoner had said that, rather than have any more of that, he would do his work.
A juror said the prisoner looked ill.
Dr. Ayres said he was in perfect health.
Another juror remarked that he appeared very strange.

Dr. Ayres said he looked now as he always did, very sullen and bad-tempered. His Lordship, in summing up, remarked that he thought that the Jury should, whilst considering their verdict, dispel from their minds the strange appearance of the prisoner. He could assure them that if he (the prisoner) should afterwards be found insane, he would be taken proper care of.
The Jury found him guilty on the second count (wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm), at the same time recommending that the attention of the Government should be drawn to the man's strange appearance.
His Lordship said this should be done.
The Sessions were then adjourned until 10 a.m. to-morrow.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before the Hon. J. Russell.)
18th September, 1878.

INTERPLEADER CASE—THE OPERA COMPANY.

C. B. Plunket (official assignee), Deagon, Durbach, and Ding Kee, and Lee Ahoy v. Thomas Sutton Lilley (de Lilley).

This case was resumed to-day at 3 past 2 o'clock.

Mr John Collings was first called; he said:—I was a partner of Mr Lilley's at Singapore in a troupe; it was designed. The Royal English Opera Troupe, after Mr Vernon joined us. We gave one performance at Singapore in conjunction with Miss Eliza May and Mr Vernon. Mr Lilley had no Company before this. At that time the "Royal English Opera Company," consisted of Mr and Mrs Vernon, Miss Eliza May, and Mr McCallum. Mr Kugelmann bought the piano, and it remained in his hands. It has always been considered to be the property of the Misses Draeger. I sent it away by the coolies to the steamer after Mr Vernon had packed it. It was never actually in the hands of Mr Lilley. After it arrived here it was sent first to the Hotel, and thence to the City Hall, and the Misses Draeger saw it unpacked. It was never played in anybody's room at the Hotel; but left in the passage until taken to the City Hall. The Misses Draeger always looked after it. At the Hotel, in the presence of 4 or 5 witnesses, Mr Lilley said to-day that he was very sorry he should have given an order for the piano to be delivered over. He acknowledged that it was not his.

His Lordship ruled that this was not evidence, on Mr Toller's stating Mr Lilley was not a party to these proceedings.
Mr Denny said he did not see how the judgment creditors were going to substantiate their claim if this was not to be admitted.

Continued:—The Misses Draeger have exercised full control over the piano. It has been used for the Opera Troupe here. Mr Vernon has paid the expense of the troupe, and he has also acted as Manager. It has been the intention of the troupe to leave this for Shanghai, and thence go to Yokohama, where the 6 months' agreement will be finished. It would cost about \$800 for a passage from Yokohama to Melbourne, and \$600 from here. The piano was bought originally for \$423.

By Mr Toller:—It was not our intention to go to Manila; we talked of doing so, but were told that an English Opera Company would not pay there. The Misses Draeger refused to loan the piano to Mr Fairclough, but it was lent, as Mr Vernon said that he would lend it for one night. He did this as Manager. Mr Vernon has kept the key as Stage Manager, and sometimes Miss Draeger has had the key. I have seen them cleaning it. Mr Lilley paid the freight from Singapore. Mr Vernon gave orders for the removal of the piano to the City Hall. There was a verbal agreement made at Singapore that Mr Lilley was to pay all expenses, passages, &c., to his port. Mr Lilley is a partner now in the company.

Re-examined by Mr Denny:—Miss Eliza May's passage was also paid by Mr Lilley. Nothing was paid for the carriage of the piano or other stage furniture.
Mr Toller maintained that the letter from the Dutch Consul somewhat confirmed the case for the judgment creditors. He further contended that the piano had never been in the possession of the Misses Draeger during the whole time; it was never really taken possession of, in point of fact. Although an agreement was entered into, his clients were never parties to that agreement, and it turned out to be now so much waste paper. He contended that this was a secret disposition of property to defraud creditors of their rights.
His Lordship put it that, as these debts were incurred in 1876, there could have been no intention to defraud his creditors in this particular case.

Mr Toller replied that this would open a door to fraud of this description; and here Mr De Lilley was in joint occupation of the City Hall. Although Mr Vernon was also a partner, that did not matter.

Mr Thomas Sutton Lilley (otherwise De Lilley), called, sworn, stated:—I am in partnership with Mr Collings, under the style of the Royal English Opera Company. (Deed of Partnership produced). About 7 or 8 days before we left Singapore, Mr Vernon said we should require a piano; so I bought one, which was paid for on my behalf, by Mr Kugelmann, and as the matter of convenience it was stored at Mr Kugelmann's house. I got a receipt for it, the day before we left; Mr Kugelmann gave it to me, saying I would require it to show that it belonged to me. A verbal agreement was made with the Misses Draeger, to pay them salary in advance and return passage. The German Consul had an interview with me, and said he would prefer a money security instead of the piano; and if I could deposit or show security for \$500, that would be sufficient. I went to Mr Kugelmann, and did not succeed; so we all met at the lawyer's office on the Saturday. They made an account to which I objected, and on explanation I made the total sum about \$1,000 more than they had made it.

I could not then say how much the balance would be, but at the lowest it would be about \$800. I then said I would give an order for \$500, and we would get the agreement signed; but before signing it, I suggested that the clause about the piano should be erased. To this the lawyer and the Consul objected, as the money was only in expectancy, and they had only my word for it. I then asked for a new deed of agreement; but the lawyer said there was no time, as they were all going away next day. I had the receipt for the piano in my possession then. All the expenses to Hong-kong were paid by me from Singapore. These were paid by Mr Kugelmann: I paid this man about 100 per cent. The piano was not handed over to the Misses Draeger; it was taken away from Mr Kugelmann so soon as the mortgage was signed. It was taken to the Hotel de l'Univers, and I paid the coolies for taking it to the City Hall. This is the first I have heard of the ownership of the Misses Draeger; they have never claimed any active ownership of it. Mr Collings (Kollings) paid the rent of the Hall for the first night, as I had no money. After the first night Miss Eliza May was engaged, and Mr Vernon was taken in as a partner, each getting a fourth.

Cross-examined by Mr Denny:—The bill for the piano was made out in Kugelmann's name, and was taken to his house. The piano was not in Mr Vernon's charge at all, though it was left in Mr Kugelmann's house for rehearsal. I practised my part there, and the performance and used; but I could not swear that it was not Mr Kugelmann's piano, as I was running about all day, and did not go near the hall. The Consul's words were, so far as I can remember, "The piano is not worth anything at all; you had better give us money security instead." I was asked to sign the agreement as it stood, but agreed to sign this one, as my lawyer said that the German Consul would give me a release when the \$500 were paid. The others did not know that I had over \$800 coming to me, over my debts, and the lawyers don't take a man's bare word. It was agreed that there was at least \$800 coming, although I made it much more. The piano is the only security which the Misses Draeger had until the \$500 were deposited. The cash has been handed over to the German Consul, at order from me. So far as I know, there was no one who heard me object and suggest an alteration in the agreement. I said to the Misses Draeger that I would not give \$500 and the piano; but the lawyer and the Consul said the order for \$500 was so much waste paper. The debts to plaintiffs were incurred in '75 or '76, and I bought the piano in August last, so that credit for the old debts was not obtained on the piano. I did not say that I was sorry that I was compelled to say the piano was mine; I said it would be a pity if the piano were taken, and it would be better to have the matter settled. I should have to go to Gaol if the case went against me, and if they did not go into Court, I would make them a present of the piano. This was in the hope that the money would come from Singapore, and I could pay the debt. (A letter was here read, from Singapore, stating that certain balance of money would be invested as arranged.) I have since countermanded the order to invest, by telegram.

By the Court: I reckon it will amount to about \$1200; but I cannot say how much for certain. I did not telegraph for a definite reply because I did not then know the piano did not belong to me. I have money coming to me at Singapore, but I have not as much now as I pay for a telegram.
By Mr Denny:—I did not say that I acknowledged that the piano belonged to the Misses Draeger; I only said that the piano would be theirs if the case were kept out of Court, and I got time to pay the claim.
His Lordship suggested that a telegraphic transfer should be obtained from Singapore to a Bank here. Of course if nothing comes, and Mr Lilley's bona fide comes mala fide, and that will put a different complexion on the matter. It was most inconvenient for the Company to have such litigation going on, and if he had known that money was expected, he would have delayed execution. A telegram could now be sent.
The case was then adjourned to 3 past 2 o'clock to-morrow.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Tigre*, Captain Lormier, with the London mail of the 9th August, arrived here last night.

TELEGRAMS.

(From Indian Papers.)

Vienna, Aug. 22.—The announcement that the Austro-Turkish Convention had been concluded was premature. The Austrians are objecting to the draught of Turkish troops in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Austrian press advocate the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Constantinople, Aug. 22.—The Russians have attacked the Rhodope insurgents at Karmualar and Akbunar. The insurgents maintain their positions.

London, Aug. 23.—Mr W. H. Smith, the First Lord of the Admiralty, is going to Cyprus to inspect the place.

Alexandria, Aug. 23.—Negotiations are nearly concluded whereby the Khedive orders his estates, and reduces his civil list. Mr Rivers Wilson has been appointed to the Egyptian Ministry of Finance, and Nubar Pasha becomes President of the Grand Council.

Paris, Aug. 23.—At a banquet at Laon (1 Lyons) M. Waddington defended the Berlin Treaty, which he said was an equitable and durable solution of the Eastern question, and completely and loyally executed.

Obituary: Dowager Queen Christina of Spain.
London, Aug. 24.—The Morning Post reports decline action on the part of the Viceroy of India with respect to Cabul, and failing the Amey's readiness to receive a British mission, it urges that England should annex Herat and Candahar. Hostilities have been resumed on the Turco-Monaghan frontier.

Vienna, Aug. 24.—The Austrian troops on the 21st attacked and routed the enemy after severe fighting at Solatz. The total Austrian loss up to the 16th instant was 978 killed.

Alexandria, Aug. 24.—The Khedive has adhered to the text of the arrangement for the cession of his estates and the reduction of his civil list.

London, Aug. 25.—The Porte has issued a circular note in which it refuses to grant extensions of frontier to the Northern Greek provinces. The London papers and the Continental press generally indicate an

compliance with the proposals agreed to by the Congress. Russia has issued a new internal loan of thirty millions sterling.
Constantinople, Aug. 25.—The Russian headquarters have been transferred to Rodosto. The insurrectionary movement in Bosnia remains unabated despite the defeats of large insurgent forces at Doboj and Zitornik. Austria is mobilising eleven more divisions.
London, Aug. 26.—In consequence of British Consular reports accusing the Russian Government of connivance at the Bulgarian atrocities, Lord Salisbury has sent a despatch to the British Ambassador at St. Petersburg on the subject. A semi-official communication from St. Petersburg states that the imputation is an insult to the Russian army and interprets it as the intention of Lord Salisbury to intervene in Bulgaria and nullify the Congress arrangements, and adds that the Russian Government knows how to protect the rights of the Bulgarians during the year of occupation.

Constantinople, Aug. 16.—The evacuation of Batoum is postponed until the 12th September. The Porte, in order to introduce reforms in her Asiatic provinces, desires the aid of England to raise a loan upon the revenues of Cyprus. The insurgents renewed their attack on the 20th Division of the Austria at Doboj on the 24th, but were defeated and compelled to fall back after nine hours' continuous fighting.

London, Aug. 27.—The Times deprecates a hostile attitude towards the Amey, and says the mission, if wisely conducted, will be far more effective than an army would be.

London, Aug. 28.—The Times says our past policy of abstention in Afghanistan has proved a failure, and that Afghanistan must be our buckler instead of a weapon that may be used against us. The Times supports a conciliatory policy with the Amey and intervention on behalf of Yakob Khan. The Times announces that a Chinese diplomatic mission is going to Russia relative to the frontier question.

London, Aug. 28.—The Government has accepted the Peninsular and Oriental Company's tender for the conveyances to India and China of the mails for a period of 11 years. The Times announces that England will never again guarantee a Turkish loan or even help Turkey in obtaining one, as she cannot mix financial difficulties with the Anglo-Turkish Convention.

Berlin, Aug. 28.—The German Federal Council have adopted a bill for repression of the Socialists.

London, Aug. 29.—Lord Collin Campbell, the 1st Lord, has been elected by a large majority for Argyle, defeating Mr Malcolm, Conservative.

Constantinople, Aug. 28.—The Lazis have abandoned their resistance to the Russian occupation of Batoum, General Todeber has urged the Porte to send Turkish regular troops to occupy the Rhodope mountains in order to prevent conflicts.

London, Aug. 29.—The Daily News, in commenting on the death of the heir apparent to the throne of Kabul, (Abdullah Jan, youngest son of the Amey) urges that efforts be made to obtain the release of and restoration to favour of Yakob Khan, (the Amey's eldest son) but declares that any English prestige must be maintained.

Constantinople, Aug. 29.—Mehemed Pasha has been entrusted with the task of removing the difficulty regarding the rectification of the frontier between Turkey and Montenegro.

China.

(Herald, Sept. 12th.)

H. B. M.'s S. *Swinger* arrived in port on the 7th instant, and is now lying off the Foreign Settlement.
The Memorial to Lord Salisbury, on the subject of the recent Wu-shih-shan riot, has been drawn up by the Committee appointed for that purpose, and is now ready for signature.

We learn, on excellent authority, that the Chinese students to America have cut off their queues! If this report is well-grounded, and we entertain but little doubt as to its accuracy—observers of the kind of reception that will await these queueless sons of Cathay on their return to the Fatherland.

The social position and political influence of the native literati is a subject of some interest at the present moment. We find the following explanation of the term, in its general acceptance, in Mr Giles' Glossary:—

"The Literati. This term, while really including all literary men, of no matter what rank or standing, is more usually confined to that large section of unemployed scholarship made up of (1) those who are waiting to get started in an official career, (2) those who have taken one or more degrees and are preparing for the next, (3) those who have failed to distinguish themselves at the public examinations and prefer to eke out a small patrimony by taking pupils rather than engage in the petty-giggles of trade, and (4) those who, though possessed of sufficiently high qualifications, have no taste for official life, and are in a position to pass their time in the amiable seclusion of retired scholars."

Regarding the Mr Ho—"legal adviser" to a Provisional Government of Fokien, to whom allusion was made last week, as being prominently connected with the late outrage at Wu-shih-shan, we have since ascertained that this learned individual's full name is Ho Aloy, alias Ho Shen-cheo. He rejoices in an *alias*, of course, a little respectable Chinaman. It is only right, however, that the community should know something of the "legal adviser's" antecedents. Briefly, then, this miserable pretender to legal lore is better known as the *clandestine* interpreter of the Hongkong Police Court. Mr Ho Aloy might, we understand, to this day have adorned the lower ranks of the Civil Service of Hongkong; had he not in a rash moment devoted more time to the furtherance of his private ends than was deemed quite compatible with the public interests. At all events, Her Britannic Majesty's Colonial Government of Hongkong were under the impression that Mr Ho Aloy's services were not indispensable to the welfare of that Colony;—and in short, Mr Ho was freed from the slavery of "barbarian" rule. He is now a white-buttock mandarin; and the Provisional Government of Fokien are happy in the possession of this peripatetic conglomerate of legal imposture and contemptible impudence.

Nippon.

Sept. 9th
We hear that the Governor of Chekiang, while refraining from the request from con-

firmed or reversing the decision of the Taotai of Ningpo in regard to the abolition of the *lin*, has disapproved of his treatment of the rioters, and insists upon the surrender of the leaders of the late riots. In order to strengthen the Taotai's hands, the Governor has sent a force of five hundred soldiers, accompanied by a Taotai named Liang, to whom he has entrusted the management of the operations necessary for the arrest of the ringleaders in question. It is said that the Taotai of Ningpo is doing his best to get his supplementary forces and their leader Liang Taotai, despatched to the Ting hai district, in the Tai-chow prefecture of Chekiang, where *tekin* riots have also taken place and two collectors have been killed.—N. C. D. News.

Wuhu.

5th Sept.
The water in the Yangtze, at this point, writes a correspondent, is still stationary within two inches of the highest point reached during the summer; and seven hours' rain which fell yesterday, will, I fear, bring it up still higher. All this time it is falling, I believe, at Hankow and Kiating; but at Wuhu, we suffer from the overflow. I suppose, from the Po-yang lake, where there have been very severe inundations.—N. C. D. News.

Japan.

(Gazette.)

We are requested to state that there are several letters, addressed to "The Borneo Company," now lying at the Japanese Post Office in Yokohama.

The Chinese steward of the American ship *Redwin* has been tried at Kobe, before Mr. Acting Vice Consul Benson, and assessors, upon a charge of wounding the mate of that ship. The man was found guilty, and the following remarkable judgment was delivered:—

"Judgment.—Ah Low, you are convicted of an assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to commit manslaughter. No doubt provocation existed. The assault of the mate on you was unjustifiable and unlawful and would have been punished at the time had the facts been clearly shown."

"However, even a far more aggravated assault on the part of the mate did not justify you when in cool blood striking him with a weapon endangering his life."

"You are sentenced to two years' imprisonment from the day of your arrest, namely, the 26th August, 1878."

"The wages due you from the ship will be applied to the payment of the Hospital bill and medical attendance on the wounded man and for your jail expenses in this place."—Hague News.

We always understood that "intent" to kill was the distinction between murder and manslaughter.
The *Justice H. I. Gerrall*—which arrived this morning (Sept. 10th) from New York, lost her chief officer in a tragical manner on the 6th of July while on her way to Japan. He was stabbed by a sailor (a Russian Finn) in an altercation, and lived only twenty minutes afterwards. The sailor has been confined on board in irons since the occurrence.

Captain Jacobs of the American ship *Grandes* reports having spoken the American ship *Annie* (from New York, bound for Shanghai). The *Annie* is reported having spoken the American ship *City of Boston*, on July 15th, off St. Paul, in latitude 37 degrees South and longitude 77 degrees East, all well.

The Straits.

(Singapore Daily Times.)

The *Pingang Gazette* comments as follows upon the recent trial of the Chief Clerk in the Magistrate's Court in Province Wellesley:—

During the whole of Tuesday and Wednesday last the time of the Supreme Court was taken up in investigating the charges against the late Chief Clerk of the Magistrate's Court over at Butterworth. The Solicitor General, Mr Logan, prosecuted for the Crown, and Mr Thomas defended the prisoner, Leicester, who was charged with misappropriating three several sums of \$500, \$100 and \$10 respectively. It was proved beyond doubt that the above amounts were duly paid to him and that they never found their way into the Treasury of the Colony, nor were they in the cash box of the Magistrate's Office when it was broken open, as the key was not forthcoming, the prisoner in whose custody it was, asserting that it had been stolen from him. The defence set up was, that when the prisoner last attended office and looked the box the sums in question were in it, that owing to ill health he could not attend to his duties and was laid up. During this time the key was stolen and the money abstracted from the cash chest by some person or persons unknown.

His Lordship, Mr Justice Wood, charged at length, and minutely went into the evidence on both sides, and towards the end he laid great stress on the remarks of the Council for the defence calling upon the jury to give their client "the benefit of the doubt." His Lordship explained in the most emphatic and explicit manner that the prisoner was certainly entitled to the "benefit of the doubt," provided it was a reasonable one. The Jury retired for about 10 minutes and came back with a unanimous verdict of guilty; but recommended the prisoner to mercy on the grounds of his previous good character and the extraordinary temptations to which he was exposed by having sums of money entrusted to his care without the least check being exercised over him by the Magistrate. The Judge, taking this recommendation into consideration, sentenced Leicester to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment.

So far as the prisoner is concerned, here ends the story, but there are several incidents which came out during the trial which the public have a right to have some light thrown upon. To commence with, it may as well be stated that the total amount embezzled by the prisoner amounts to about \$1800, beginning with the sum of \$500 paid into Court by Koh Tean Tek as a Fine, so far back as October 1877, and ending with some payments in March, we think it was stated. Now at the end of each month accounts were duly sent in to the Magistrate, verified before him in due course and forwarded by him to the Treasury, and yet the Magistrate never appears to have missed the sums that were embezzled, or taken any steps to examine or compare these accounts with the different books kept in the Court, and not the remotest knowledge appeared to be possessed by Mr Harvey, the Magistrate in question, regarding either the nature of the books kept or the routine of his office regarding the receipt or disposal

of fines and fees. If over indifference and downright carelessness was displayed it has been by him, and it is to be hoped that he will be taught a lesson touching his lack of which he will not easily forget.

The most astounding fact however which was elicited during the trial was that in reply to frequent appeals from Leicester to his superior Mr Harvey, for more clerical aid to make up the half yearly returns for the blue book, Mr Harvey authorized the employment of an extra hand, but also issued an order to the Chief Clerk that the wages of this extra hand were to be paid out of the poor box of the Court. We publish the correspondence on the subject verbatim.

"To the Magistrate, Pro. Wellesley."

"The Court of Requests' half yearly returns are ready for transmission to Singapore, but the Police Court Returns are not. With so much work on hand and our small staff it would be impossible to have them completed before the end of this month. If a temporary clerk is taken on as suggested in my letter of the 18th ultimo the returns could be completed within ten days."

(Sd) M. N. LEICESTER, Chief Clerk.

4th March, 1878.

To Mr Leicester,
You had better engage a temporary clerk for this work but no other and pay him out of the poor box.

(Sd) D. F. A. HARVEY.

The above letters speak for themselves, and it is so rarely to be wondered at, that misappropriation should be the order of the day in an office of which the responsible head sets the example himself by an order under his own signature to his subordinate to misapply funds in his charge.

Captain Chierico, of the Italian bark *Christoforo*, which arrived here on Saturday from Java, reports having picked up an English sailor in Banks Straits, who was swimming on a piece of timber. The seaman states that he belonged to the American vessel, the *Golden Grove*, and jumped overboard when the vessel was about two miles distant from the *Christoforo*.

It is said that the *Christoforo* Government has decided to deport two of the chief ringleaders in the recent Chinese riot in Province Wellesley. We understand that an order of the Government in Council for the banishment of the two men in question was issued on Saturday, and that instructions were at once telegraphed to the Lieutenant Governor of Penang to have them arrested and sent to Singapore.

On Saturday, four Bugis men, two women and two children, arrived by the French mail from Java on their way to Mecca. They were placed in the house No. 16, Java Road, by a native passenger agent. At 8 o'clock yesterday morning (Sept. 6th) the two women, children and one man left and went to a friend's house in Minio Road, leaving the other three men in the house. About half past one, the Police Constable on duty at Jalan Sultan heard a cry of "Police" from the corner of Java Road, and, on running to the spot, found one of the three Bugis men dead in the five foot path, and another staggering about, having received two stab wounds in the chest. The murderer had gone into the house No. 16, and, on going to the door, the murderer rushed at him with a long native knife in his hand. The Police Constable pulled the door to, thus shutting the murderer in, and the latter at once bolted the door. Another Police Constable then went to the back of the house, and by means of a ladder, he and some of the neighbours got on the back wall and saw the murderer sitting in the back verandah cutting away his intestines which protruded from a large wound in the abdomen. The Inspector arrived soon after, and, on bursting open the door, found the murderer dead. The wounded Bugis was sent to Hospital, but he died at 6 p.m. A Inquest is being held to-day.

Quotations.

Hongkong, September 18, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, \$605 a 607 1/2 credit, ..
" Old Patna, cash, 572 1/2 a 575 credit, ..
" New Benares, cash, .. credit, None
" Old Benares, cash, 542 1/2 a 545 credit, ..
" New Malwa, cash, 755 a 755 credit, ..
" Australian, cash, 750 a 770 credit, ..
" Allowance, cash, 12 a 24 credit, ..
" Old Malwa, cash, .. credit, ..
" Allowance, cash, .. credit, ..

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, .. 3/2
" 30 days' sight, .. 3/3
" 6 months' sight, .. 3/3
Credit, .. 3/3
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 8/24
Bombay, demand Rupees, .. 2/3
Calcutta, .. 2/3
Shanghai, demand, .. 7/2
" 30 days, .. 7/2
English Sovereigns, .. 5/5
Australian Sovereigns, .. 5/5
Bar Silver, 17, wts. B., .. 100
Sycee, .. 8
Mexicans, .. 1 1/2 counted.
Gold Leaf, .. 87.10
Discount, .. 8 to 9 p.c.

Ships.

Hongkong Bank, 88 1/2 prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,500
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,075
Yangtze Ins. Assn.,

Mails.



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MED-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON DIRECT,
ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
KHEDEVE, Captain J. D. STEWARD, will
leave this on SATURDAY, the 21st
September, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, September 9, 1878. 221

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAÏLIA, PORT
SAÏD, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 28th September,
1878, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. SINDH, Commandant BRUNER,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.
Cargo will be received on board until
5 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 27th September, 1878. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 17, 1878. 223

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on TUESDAY, the 1st October, at 3 p.m.,
taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan,
the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
5 p.m. of the 30th September. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, September 11, 1878. 201

Notices to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steam-Ship
"OCEAN KING," from LONDON,
PENANG and SINGAPORE, are hereby not-
ified of the vessel's arrival and requested to
present their Bills of Lading to the Under-
signed for countersignature, and to take im-
mediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, September 14, 1878. 2251

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

TH 1644, Mr L. Thevenin, from
Marseilles.
Ex "Sindh,"
MS (Indian) 1/8 Order, from
Amoy.
ME 1/6 Order, 6 cases Oil, from Marseilles.
Hongkong, September 7, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
"GABLO," from San Francisco, &c.,
are hereby requested to send in their Bills
of Lading for countersignature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

G. B. EMORY,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 17, 1878. 2224

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH SHIP BANIAN, FROM
LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersignature
and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, September 16, 1878. 2219

BRITISH BARQUE ADA MELMORE,
FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived,
Consignees of Cargo by her are re-
quested to send in their Bills of Lading to
the Undersigned for countersignature, and
to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, September 13, 1878. 2220

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

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GODOWNS, under European supervision,
and VESSELS Discharged alongside the
WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick
despatch.

MEYER & Co.,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, August 28, 1878. 2223

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or
PAPERS will be thankfully received at
the SAILOR'S HOME, West Point.
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

Insurances.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong for the above-
named Company, are prepared to Grant
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and
on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-
count of 20 per cent.
Attention is invited to a considerable
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China.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

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terms very favorable to the assured.
For full information and particulars,
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OLYPHANT & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 31, 1878.

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THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
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surances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1878.

Insurances.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Bills of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to Grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saidon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE....." 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND....." 108,000
Total Capital and accumula-
tions this date.....Tls. 758,000

Directors:
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
M. P. EVANS, Esq. O. LUGAS, Esq.
O. KERRIS, Esq. Wm. HAYWARD, Esq.

Secretaries:
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.; Shanghai.
London Bankers:
Messrs. BARNES BROTHERS & Co.
Agents in:
HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the World, at current
rates.

Subject to a charge of 1% for interest
on Shareholders' Capital; AND THE PROFITS
OF THE UNDERSIGNED BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contribu-
tors of Business in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 10, 1878. 221

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusion of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Alverton	Brit.	Darnell	Brit. str.	1088	Sept. 18	Meyer & Co.		Wanchai Pier
Argentino	Brit.	Barnett	Brit. str.	915	Sept. 17	Turner & Co.	London, &c.	
Bellona	Ger.	Ahrens	Ger. str.	789	Sept. 17	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon	20th, 4 p.m.
Bombay	Brit.		Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Achong		
Cebu	Span.	Juchusagad	Span. str.	250	Aug. 26	Russell & Co.		Sands' Slip
China	Brit.	Alderston	Brit. str.	1038	Aug. 27	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Malls
Danube	Brit.	Clanchy	Brit. str.	564	Sept. 17	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Fame	Brit.	Stopani	Brit. str.	117		B. K. & W. Poon Dock Co.		The Flying
Gaelic	Brit.	Kidley	Brit. str.	1712	Sept. 16	O. & S. S. Co.	Phama & S. F. dock	1st prob.
Karo	Brit.	Colling	Brit. str.	979	Sept. 18	Meyer & Co.	Holbow & Haiphong	at daylight
Khedive	Brit.	Steward	Brit. str.	2092	Sept. 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	Malls; 21st
Kianchow	Brit.		Brit. str.			Kwok Achong		
Kwangtung	Brit.	Punchard	Brit. str.	675	Sept. 14	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	20th, noon
Lorne	Brit.	McOulloch	Brit. str.	1035	Sept. 2	Melchers & Co.	Yokohama	Malls
Malacca	Brit.	Smith	Brit. str.	1044	Sept. 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Mayenne	Anna	Yun Chun Yau	Anna str.		June 20			
Ningpo	Brit.	Gass	Brit. str.	761	Sept. 15	Slemasen & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Norna	Brit.		Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Achong		
Orissa	Brit.	Briscoe	Brit. str.	1647	Sept. 5	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Paladin	Brit.	Parker	Brit. str.	1672	Sept. 2	Hop Kee	Sapore and Penang	To-morrow
Perin	Brit.	Jones	Brit. str.	1016	Sept. 6	Holiday, Wise & Co.	K'loon Dock	To-day
Quinta	Brit.	Butler	Brit. str.	1572	Sept. 16	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-day
Shan Lee	Ger.	Wang	Ger. str.	474	Sept. 12	Sooy Shing	Saloon	
Shan Lee	amoz.	Roberts	amoz. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Tanah	Brit.	Papeter	Brit. str.	1056	Sept. 17	Lardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Tanah	Foh.	Marcelle	Foh. str.	1756	Sept. 10	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	To-day
Tigre	Foh.	Lorimer	Foh. str.	2054	Sept. 17	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels								
Ada Melmore	Brit.	Sowell	Brit. bge.	568	Sept. 13	Meyer & Co.		Meyer's Whf
Albert Russell	Amor.	Carver	Amor. bge.	782	July 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Alcorta	Brit.	Trall	Brit. bge.	398	Sept. 11	Borneo Co., Limited	New York	
Aldebaran	Brit.	Kole	Brit. bge.	398	Aug. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Aristide	Foh.	Lahaye	Foh. bge.	389	Sept. 4	Carlowitz & Co.	New York	
Athene	Brit.	Findlay	Brit. bge.	605	July 15	Olyphant & Co.	Valparaiso	Cleared
Balaray	Brit.	Kinnocod	Brit. bge.	476	Aug. 22	Hiamson & Co.	New York	
Banlan	Brit.	Grandin	Brit. sh.	760	Sept. 18	Melchers & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Benzafactor	Amor.	Hayden	Amor. bge.	596	Aug. 29	Meyer & Co.		
Bertie Biglow	Brit.	Ferguson	Brit. sh.	1142	July 29	Meyer & Co.		
Borneo	Amor.	Shaw	Amor. sh.	736	Sept. 11	Meyer & Co.		
Brema	Ger.	Timpe	Ger. bge.	380	Sept. 8	Wielor & Co.		
Brunette	Brit.	Dow	Brit. bge.	874	Sept. 12	Leo, R. Stevens & Co.		
Canton	Slam.	Kondsen	Slam. sh.	779	Sept. 18	Chinese		
Centennial	Amor.	Seare	Amor. sh.	1288	Aug. 21	Russell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Challenge	Brit.	Doughty	Brit. bge.	599	Sept. 16	Order		
Charles Mounier	Foh.	Quatreous	Foh. bge.	368	Sept. 11	Landstein & Co.		
Charlotte Andrews	Brit.	Place	Brit. bge.	386	June 19	Rozario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Civiale	Ger.	Nissen	Ger. bge.	879	Sept. 11	Slemasen & Co.		
Cosmo	Amor. sch.	Laverick	Amor. sch.	128	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Dartmouth	Brit.	Robertson	Brit. bge.	915	Sept. 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Darwar	Brit.	Freebody	Brit. sh.	1800	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Dingo	Amor.	Staples	Amor. bge.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg	
Emilio V.	Ital.	Mirallo	Ital. bge.	734	Sept. 14	M. Russo & Co.		
Eperance	Foh.	Gullion	Foh. bge.	372	Sept. 10	Carlowitz & Co.	Bangkok	
Esperance	Ger. Sm. str.	Schweer	Ger. Sm. str.	282	Sept. 16	Melchers & Co.	Halphong	Cleared
Fortune	Slam.	Peterson	Slam. bge.	450	Sept. 4	Jack Mee		
Golden-Sun	Brit.	Farrall	Brit. sh.	466	Sept. 11	Meyer & Co.		
Goliath	Slam.	Danzau	Slam. bge.	542	July 11	Chinese		
Hall Columbia	Amor. sch.	Breton	Amor. sch.	383	Sept. 4	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.	Newchwang	
Hamburg	Ger.	Kroge	Ger. bge.	347	Sept. 15	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.		
Helen	Ger.	Volquardsen	Ger. bge.	873	Sept. 14	Wielor & Co.		
Highlander	Amor.	Hutchinson	Amor. sh.	1352	June 19	Captain		
Hotspur	Brit.	Shaw	Brit. bge.	522	Sept. 8	Rozario & Co.	Chafco	
Hyton Castle	Brit.	Scott	Brit. bge.	548	Aug. 29	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Hamburg	
Hygonia	Ger.	Green	Ger. bge.	464	Sept. 9	Wielor & Co.	San Francisco	
Japan	Ger. Sm. str.	Ottmann	Ger. Sm. str.	270	Sept. 10	Meyer & Co.		
John Fotts	Amor.	McTherson	Amor. sh.	878	Sept. 16	Chinese		
Josephus	Amor. sh.	Rogers	Amor. sh.	1470	July 18	Russell & Co.		
Jules Dufaux	Foh.	Camille	Foh. bge.	490	Sept. 18	Captain		
Kim Yong Tye	Slam.	Kofod	Slam. bge.	329	Sept. 18	Jack Mee	New York	Wanchai Pier
Koror	Dan.	Laub	Dan. bge.	817	Sept. 9	Meyer & Co.		
Lizzie Perry	Brit.	Pitman	Brit. bge.	1128	Aug. 24	Russell & Co.		
Lottie Moore	Amor.	udson	Amor. bge.	880	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Louis Eugene	Foh.	Mignard	Foh. bge.	438	Sept. 16	Carlowitz & Co.		
Mary Fraser	Brit.	Dexter	Brit. sh.	1174	Aug. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Minna	Ger.	Dau	Ger. bge.	457	Sept. 8	Meyer & Co.		
Min-y-don	Brit.	Leslie	Brit. sh.	1108	Sept. 8	Olyphant & Co.		
Moneta	Brit.	Bisset	Brit. bge.	621	Aug. 19	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	London	
Moss Glen	Brit.	Nichols	Brit. bge.	549	May 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Nicholas	Ger.	Stalken	Ger. sch.	167	Sept. 11	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Norham	Slam.	Hollstrom	Slam. sh.	777	Sept. 16	Chinese		
Norham Star	Brit.	Wortley	Brit. bge.	327	Sept. 16	Chinese		
Pandur	Ger.	Janzen	Ger. bge.	596	Sept. 18	Slemasen & Co.	Newchwang	
Paros	Foh.	Pasco	Foh. bge.	848	Sept. 7	Carlowitz & Co.		
Paul Maria	Foh.	Galliard	Foh. bge.	824	Sept. 12	Carlowitz & Co.		
Per	Ger.	Luhrs	Ger. bge.	276	Sept. 11	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.		
Phillip Fitzpatrick	Amor.	Phelan	Amor. bge.	582	Sept. 12	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		
Presto	Brit.	Goldman	Brit. bge.	384	Sept. 5	Meyer & Co.		
Regent	Amor. sh.	Bowdoin	Amor. sh.	930	Aug. 31	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Manila	
Registral	Span. sch.	Garcia y Agao	Span. sch.	214	Sept. 17	Remedios & Co.		
R. Hay	Brit.	Nicolson	Brit. bge.	290	Sept. 11	Turner & Co.		
Rode-Welt	Amor.	Welt	Amor. sh.	1378	Jan. 21	Captain		
S. G. Pinkham	Amor. sch.	Pinkham	Amor. sch.	128	Sept. 18	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Sarah Bell	Brit.	Ditoburn	Brit. bge.	812	July 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Sir Charles Napier	Amor.	French	Amor. sh.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Southern Cross	Brit.	Hughes	Brit. sh.	1129	Aug. 28	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Stanhearn	Brit.	Anderson	Brit. bge.	387	Sept. 2	Messageries Maritimes	Portland (Oregon)	
Sally	Foh.	Kara	Foh. bge.	387	Sept. 18	Carlowitz & Co.		
Sunkara	Amor. sh.	Clough	Amor. sh.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.		
Sumner R. Mead	Amor.	Dorn	Amor. sh.	1117	July 18	Russell & Co.	New York	
Tek Lo	Ger. bge.	Poterson	Ger. bge.	350	Sept. 8	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Newchwang	Sands' Slip
Tric.	Dutch bge.	Bakker	Dutch bge.	263	Sept. 10	Slemasen & Co.		
Trowbridge	Brit.	Stapledon	Brit. sh.	1287	Aug. 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Java	
Tyburnia	Brit.	Goldar	Brit. bge.	943	June 19	Olyphant & Co.		
Varuna	Ger.	Sachau	Ger. bge.	483	Aug. 7	Wielor & Co.		
Venus	Port.	Ribeiro	Port. bge.	403	Aug. 7	Remedios & Co.		
W. E. Gladstone	Brit.	Gallohan	Brit. bge.	884	Sept. 16	Captain		
WHAMPOA								
Flensburg	Dan.	Jacobson	Dan. bge.	865	Sept. 12	Edvard Schellhaus & Co.		
QANTON								
China	Ger.	Ackermann	Ger. str.	643	Sept. 16	Slemasen & Co.	Shanghai	
Chinkang	Brit.	Orr	Brit. str.	799	Sept. 17	Slemasen & Co.	Shanghai	
Xuyehing	Chi.	Wallace	Chi. str.	700	Sept. 17	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	